

scum

1. [skʌm] *n*
 1. пена, накипь
to take the scum off the soup - снимать пену с супа
 2. *собир.*
 - 1) нечистоты, отбросы
 - 2) *метал.* шлак
 3. опустившийся человек
the scum - *собир.* низко павшие /опустившиеся/ люди
the scum of society /of the earth/ - подонки общества
 4. подлец, мерзавец
you filthy scum! - ах ты подлец!

2. [skʌm] *v*

1. снимать пену, накипь
2. 1) пениться
- 2) покрываться пеной, накипью

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scum [skʌm skʌms skʌmɪd skʌmɪŋ] *BrE* [skʌm] ^m *NAmE* [skʌm] ^m **noun**

1. **uncountable, singular** a layer of bubbles or an unpleasant substance that forms on the surface of a liquid
 - Skim off any scum.
 - stinking water covered by a thick green scum
2. **uncountable, plural (informal)** an insulting word for people that you strongly disapprove of
 - Don't waste your sympathy on scum like that.
 - Drug dealers are **the scum of the earth** (= the worst people there are) .

Derived Word ↑ **scummy**Word Origin:Middle English: from Middle Low German, Middle Dutch *schūm*, of Germanic origin.**scum**

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scum /skʌm/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **noun**

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Middle Dutch; Origin: schum]

1. [**uncountable**] an unpleasant dirty substance that forms on the surface of water:
 - a pond covered with green scum
2. [**plural**] *informal* nasty unpleasant people:
 - Scum like that should be locked away!
 - People like that are the scum of the earth.

—**scummy** *adjective***scum**

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